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To: All Providers

RE: Pharmacy Brand Limitation

Effective January 1, 2008 Alabama Medicaid will increase the current four (4) brand limit policy to five (5) brand name prescriptions per month per recipient. There will not be a limit on the number of covered generic or over-the-counter prescriptions a recipient may receive. This limitation does not apply to children under the age of 21 and recipients living in nursing facilities.

In certain drug classes, allowances are allowed in the event of an adverse or allergic reaction, or failure to respond. Medicaid will also continue to allow for prescriptions to exceed the five (5) brand limit for anti-psychotic and anti-retroviral medications; however, there will be no instance where the limit may exceed ten (10) brand name drugs per month per recipient.

Providers with questions concerning the prescription limitation should contact:

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